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# Volunteerism

## Virtual Q&A with Omowale Ogunrinde and Korvi Rakshand

*Interested in volunteerism, local activism, and how you can get involved in local and international communities? Join a Q&A discussion on volunteerism featuring activists from Nigeria and Bangladesh, and share your voice!*



Omowale Ogunrinde is the Founder and Executive Director of Foundation for Skills Development, Nigeria, a seven-year old vocational and technical training center that each year serves 5,000 unemployed adults, youth, and physically challenged people. Foundation for Skills Development offers technical training in areas such as catering, fashion design, woodwork, electronics, computers and electrical

repairs. Ogunrinde was a delegate at the Presidential Summit on Entrepreneurship in 2010. Ogunrinde earned an MBA (1990) and a PGDE (1998) from the University of Lagos.



After earning his law degree in 2007 at the age of 21, Korvi Rakshand decided to forego the family business and open a school for children in poverty. Later that year, Rakshand and a group of friends founded JAAGO, starting with a class of 17 students in a small classroom. Today, the project has flourished to 1,600 students spread across eight schools throughout Bangladesh along with other supporting projects. Besides this project, the organization launched 'Volunteer for Bangladesh', the largest volunteering platform in

Bangladesh with 10,000 registered volunteers in 21 districts. Every year, they conduct numerous social campaigning projects such as Universal Children's Day, Great Water Challenge, World Environment Day, Great Kindness Challenge, and School of Survivors projects.



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at 5:15 pm  
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